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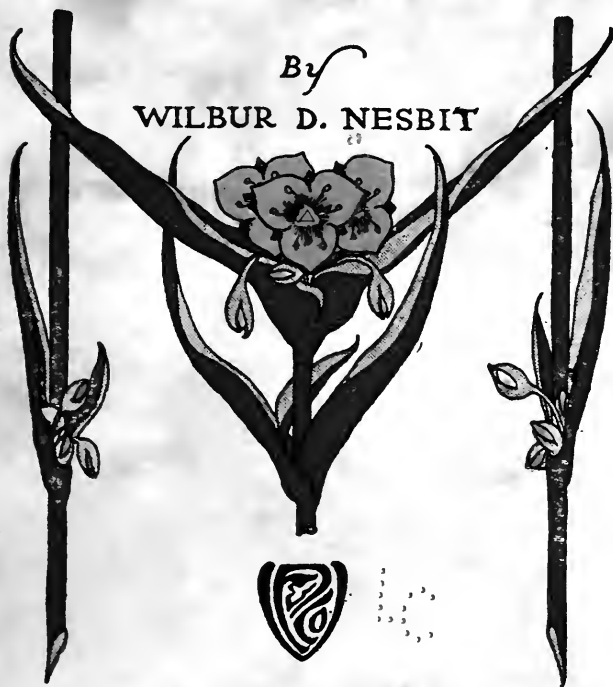






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YOU'VE a friend
you have sorely
neglected —

The very best
friend you possess;

He's the one who is
always expected

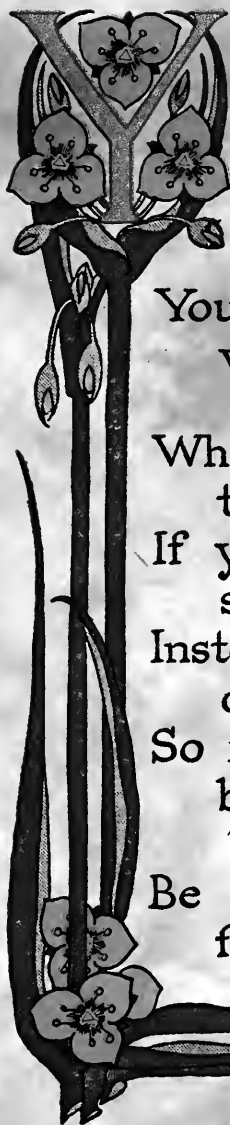
To shoulder your
load of distress.

You have always been
good to the others,
Have lavished the kind
word and smile;


You have made of
these strangers
your brothers —

Be good to yourself
for awhile.

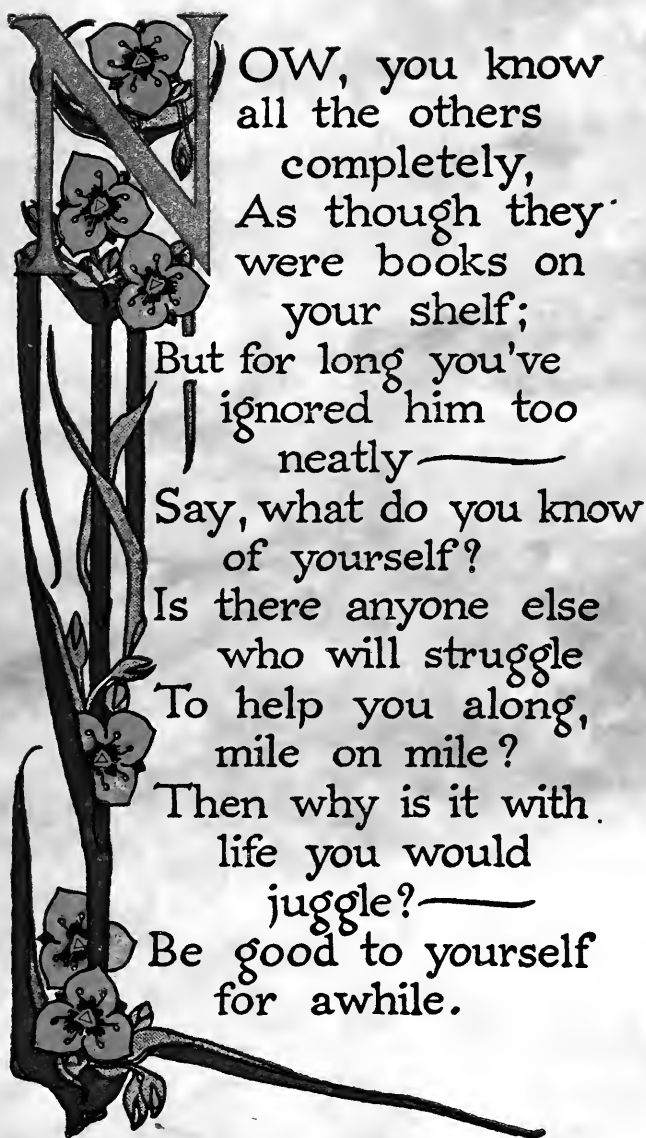




YOU have sacrific-
ed time, thought
and money
For those who for-
get it too soon;
You have met them
with countenance
sunny
When he would have
thought it a boon
If you'd only let him
share your laughter
Instead of the weight
of your bile —
So remember your
best friend here-
after —
Be good to yourself
for awhile.



HERE are many
who lend or who
borrow,
Who come to
collect or repay;
There are those who
forget you to-morrow
Who greet you with
hand-clasps to-day;
But he knows your
worth, and he only,
He knows all your
merit or guile.
Don't you think that
sometimes he is
lonely? —
Be good to yourself
for awhile.



NOW, you know
all the others
completely,
As though they
were books on
your shelf;

But for long you've
ignored him too
neatly —

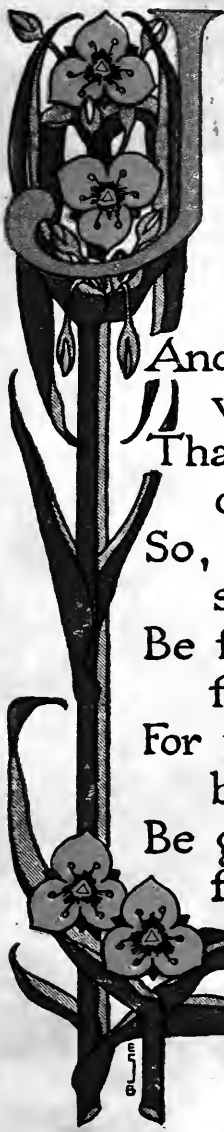
Say, what do you know
of yourself?

Is there anyone else
who will struggle
To help you along,
mile on mile?

Then why is it with
life you would
juggle? —

Be good to yourself
for awhile.





JUST be good to
yourself—it will
pay you.

You'll find when
you're down on
your luck

And when everything
wants to dismay you

That he helps you
out of the ruck,

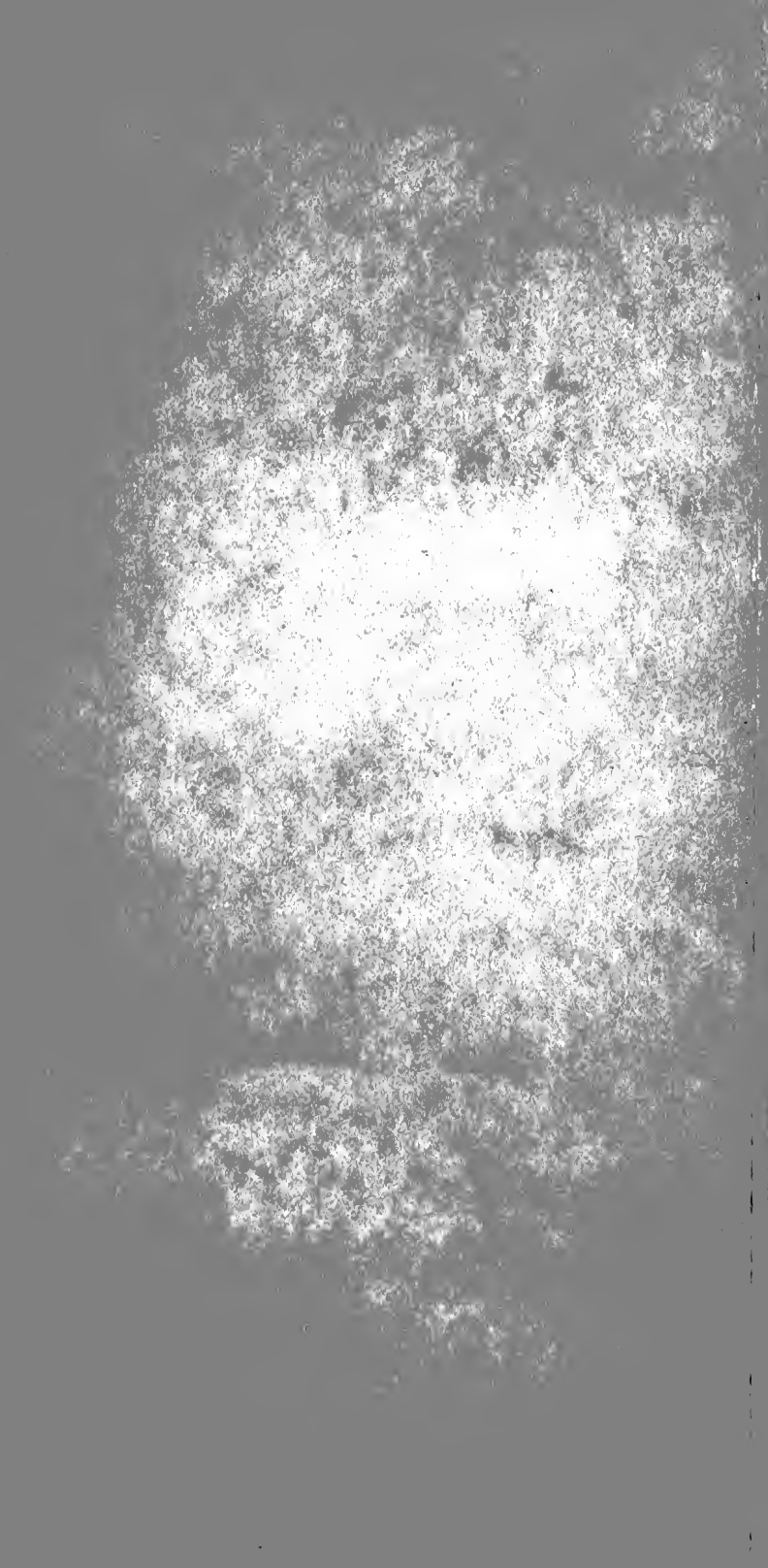
So, to-day with your-
self get acquainted,

Be free with your
friendliest smile,

For you're not half as
bad as you're painted—

Be good to yourself
for awhile!







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